



The

MARKETPLACE

For Recycling Commodities

Kentucky Recycling Assistance Section

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Balers Need to Be Used for Baling Materials Not as “Storage Closets”

The Recycling Assistance Section (RAS) has been noticing a troubling trend in recycling efforts throughout Kentucky—balers are being used as “storage closets” for materials until a bale can be made. Some recycling centers have specific balers assigned to bale specific materials such as cardboard and plastics.

While it is known that recycling center space is at a premium, there are easier and better ways of storing your materials. According to RAS Environmental Scientist Tom Heil, centers can use fabricated cages with a slanted floor and sliding front gate that make feeding balers much easier; store cages or Gaylord boxes in an area (separate building, three-sided stall type shelter, or even under tarps outside on a “hard stand” surface) out of the processing area to keep congestion down; or utilize portable storage containers to keep the materials out of the weather and accessible to skid steer loaders.

“On recent site visits and while going through the 2013-14 recycling grant applications, RAS noticed that more and more balers are not being used often enough to make bales,” said RAS Supervisor Ricky Solomon. “More balers are being requested by applicants who already have three or four in their recycling centers, but the tonnage produced isn’t enough to justify another baler.”

With available grant funds declining and more requests for equipment coming in every year, the common practice of getting state funding for multiple balers will be scrutinized more and based on need along with the reported amounts of produced recyclable tonnage.

KAB Releases Community Recycling Projects Summary for Kentucky

Recently, Keep America Beautiful released its 2012 Community Recycling Projects Summary for

Kentucky. Several recycling bin grant numbers were reported including those from the Coke Public Space Bin Grant, Coke College and University Bin Grant and Anheuser-Busch Bin Grant.

The summary shows that Kentucky entities are not taking full advantage of these specific grants.

The Coke Public Space Bin Grant supports local community recycling initiatives by providing selected grant recipients with receptacles for the collection of beverage container recyclables. The summary shows that Kentucky submitted 28 applications with only five applicants receiving the 94 awarded bins. The estimated total value of the bins was \$23,100.

The Coke College and University Bin Grant is designed specifically for permanent, ongoing use in heavily-trafficked public spaces, events and residence halls. Four applications were received from Kentucky with only one entity receiving 200 bins with an estimated value of \$1,995.

The Anheuser-Busch Bin Grant is designed for special events such as concerts, festivals and athletic events. In 2012, there were no Kentucky applicants.

For information on KAB grants, go to http://www.kab.org/site/PageServer?pagename=grants_home.

Creative Recycling Systems

The e-Scrap contract period for January 2009 through April 2013 brought the total pounds collected to 12,169,002 lbs. or 6,085 net tons. Reimbursements climbed to \$466,777.17, with charges of \$127,379.64. The net revenue to generators for the period was \$339,018.38.

Contact Tom Heil at 502-564-6716, ext. 4640 or at Thomas.Heil@ky.gov and click on <http://waste.ky.gov/RLA/recycling/Pages/ElectronicsRecycling.aspx> if you have questions about electronic recycling.

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COMMODITY	Nov-12	Dec-12	Jan-13	Feb-13	Mar-13	Apr-13	May-13	May-12
<u>PAPER-\$/TON</u>	Official Board Markets (Chicago area) FOB							
-	Nov-12	Dec-12	Jan-13	Feb-13	Mar-13	Apr-13	May-13	May-12
#2 mixed paper	\$35-40	\$45-50	\$45-50	\$45-50	\$55-60	\$55-60	\$50-55	\$70-75
#37 sorted office paper (SOP)	\$135-145	\$135-145	\$130-135	\$135-140	\$135-145	\$135-140	\$125-130	\$135-140
#6 ONP	\$15-20	\$15-20	\$15-20	\$15-20	\$15-20	\$15-20	\$15-20	\$35-40
#8 ONP	\$55-60	\$65-70	\$65-70	\$65-70	\$65-70	\$65-70	\$60-65	\$85-90
#40 sorted white ledger (SWL)	\$200-210	\$200-210	\$190-200	\$190-200	\$205-215	\$205-215	\$200-210	\$240-250
#11 OCC	\$70-75	\$75-80	\$75-80	\$80-85	\$90-100	\$90-100	\$85-90	\$85-90
<u>PLASTICS-¢/LB.</u>	Market sources serving KY & Waste and Recycling News Commodity Pricing - FOB							
-	Nov-12	Dec-12	Jan-13	Feb-13	Mar-13	Apr-13	May-13	May-12
#1 PET - mixed (clear & green)	\$0.17	\$0.17	\$0.17	\$0.20	\$0.22	\$0.21	\$0.20	\$0.30
#2 HDPE (natural-milk jugs)	\$0.28	\$0.26	\$0.27	\$0.30	\$0.33	\$0.34	\$0.36	\$0.37
#2 HDPE (colored-detergent btls.)	\$0.18	\$0.16	\$0.17	\$0.25	\$0.26	\$0.27	\$0.21	\$0.30
<u>GLASS-\$/TON</u>	Waste and Recycling News Commodity Pricing - Delivered							
-	Nov-12	Dec-12	Jan-13	Feb-13	Mar-13	Apr-13	May-13	May-12
clear (flint)	\$33.00	\$33.00	\$33.00	\$32.00	\$31.00	\$32.00	\$32.00	\$32.00
brown (amber)	\$23.00	\$22.00	\$22.00	\$22.00	\$21.00	\$22.00	\$22.00	\$22.00
green	\$11.00	\$11.00	\$11.00	\$11.00	\$8.00	\$11.00	\$11.00	\$11.00
<u>METALS</u>	Waste and Recycling News Commodity Pricing - Delivered							
-	Nov-12	Dec-12	Jan-13	Feb-13	Mar-13	Apr-13	May-13	May-12
aluminum beverage cans (UBC) cents/lb.	\$0.75	\$0.80	\$0.80	\$0.80	\$0.76	\$0.77	\$0.76	\$0.76
	Waste and Recycling News Commodity Pricing - Delivered							
	Nov-12	Dec-12	Jan-13	Feb-13	Mar-13	Apr-13	May-13	May-12
steel cans \$/TON	\$110-120	\$110-120	\$110-120	\$110-120	\$110-120	\$110-120	\$110-120	\$120-130



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